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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1557

Introduced by Assembly Member Holden

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An act to amend Section 71000 of the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1557, as amended, Holden. Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges: student member.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. The board of governors consists of 16 voting members, which include 12 members, each appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the membership of the Senate to 6-year staggered terms, one voting student member, one nonvoting student member, and 2 tenured faculty members, as specified.

This bill would require, commencing with the first specified vacancy after the operative date of the bill, the appointment of at least one voting member among the 12 discussed above who is a member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States and who has

demonstrated expertise and leadership in the field of veterans' affairs. The bill would also add to the board of governors one voting student member ~~who and one nonvoting student member, each of whom~~ is a member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 71000 of the Education Code is amended
2 to read:

3 71000. There is in the state government a Board of Governors
4 of the California Community Colleges, consisting of 17 voting
5 members and ~~one two~~ nonvoting ~~member, members,~~ as follows:

6 (a) (1) Twelve members, each appointed by the Governor with
7 the advice and consent of two-thirds of the membership of the
8 Senate to six-year staggered terms.

9 (2) Two of the 12 members shall be current or former elected
10 members of local community college district governing boards.

11 (3) Commencing with the first vacancy after the operative date
12 of the bill adding this paragraph that is not filled pursuant to
13 paragraph (2), at least one of the 12 members shall be a member
14 or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States, as
15 defined in subdivision (e) of Section 66025.8, who has
16 demonstrated expertise and leadership in the field of veterans'
17 affairs.

18 (b) (1) (A) (i) One voting student member and one nonvoting
19 student member, who exercise their duties in accordance with the
20 procedure set forth in paragraph (3).

21 (ii) ~~One voting~~ *In addition to the student members specified in*
22 *clause (i), one voting student member* ~~who and one nonvoting~~
23 *student member, each of whom* is a member or former member of
24 the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in subdivision
25 (e) of Section ~~66025.8. For a voting student member appointed~~
26 ~~pursuant to this clause, all of the following apply: 66025.8, who~~
27 *shall be appointed by the Governor for a two-year term from a list*
28 *of names of at least three eligible persons submitted to the*
29 *Governor by the student organization recognized by the board,*
30 *and who shall exercise their duties in accordance with the*
31 *procedure set forth in paragraph (3).*

1 ~~(I) For the purposes of subclauses (II), (III), and (IV), a~~
2 ~~“member” means a voting student member appointed pursuant to~~
3 ~~this clause.~~

4 ~~(II) A member may exercise the same privileges of a voting~~
5 ~~student member serving a second year term appointed pursuant to~~
6 ~~clause (i).~~

7 ~~(III) If a member resigns or the office is otherwise vacant, a~~
8 ~~voting student member who is a member or former member of the~~
9 ~~Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in subdivision (e)~~
10 ~~of Section 66025.8, and who meets the requirements of~~
11 ~~subparagraph (B) shall be appointed by the Governor pursuant to~~
12 ~~subparagraph (C).~~

13 ~~(IV) A member is exempt from paragraphs (2) and (4), and~~
14 ~~exempt from paragraph (3), except as provided by subclause (II).~~

15 (B) A student member shall be enrolled in a community college
16 with a minimum of five semester units, or its equivalent, at the
17 time of the appointment and throughout the period of his or her
18 term, or until a replacement has been named. A student member
19 shall be enrolled in a community college at least one semester
20 before his or her appointment, and shall meet and maintain the
21 minimum standards of scholarship prescribed for community
22 college students.

23 (C) Each student member *pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph*
24 ~~(A)~~ shall be appointed by the Governor from a list of names of at
25 least three eligible persons submitted to the Governor by the student
26 organization recognized by the board of governors.

27 (2) ~~The term~~ *terms* of office of one student member of the board
28 ~~pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1), and~~
29 ~~one student member of the board pursuant to clause (ii) of~~
30 ~~subdivision (A) of paragraph (1)~~ shall commence on July 1 of an
31 even-numbered year, and expire on June 30 two years thereafter.
32 ~~The term~~ *terms* of office of the other student ~~member~~ *members* of
33 the board shall commence on July 1 of an odd-numbered year, and
34 expire on June 30 two years thereafter. Notwithstanding paragraph
35 (1), a student member who graduates from his or her college on
36 or after January 1 of the second year of his or her term of office
37 may serve the remainder of the term.

38 (3) During the first year of a student member’s term, a student
39 member shall be a member of the board and may attend all
40 meetings of the board and its committees. At these meetings, a

1 student member may fully participate in discussion and debate,
2 but shall not vote. During the second year of a student member's
3 term, a student member may exercise the same right to attend
4 meetings of the board, and its committees, and shall have the same
5 right to vote as the members appointed pursuant to subdivisions
6 (a) and (c).

7 (4) Notwithstanding paragraph (3), if a student member resigns
8 from office or a vacancy is otherwise created in that office during
9 the second year of a student member's term, the remaining student
10 member shall immediately assume the office created by the vacancy
11 and all of the participation privileges of the second-year student
12 member, including the right to vote, for the remainder of that term
13 of office.

14 (c) Two voting tenured faculty members from a community
15 college, who shall be appointed by the Governor for two-year
16 terms. The Governor shall appoint each faculty member from a
17 list of names of at least three eligible persons furnished by the
18 Academic Senate of the California Community Colleges. Each
19 seat designated as a tenured faculty member seat shall be filled by
20 a tenured faculty member from a community college pursuant to
21 this section and Section 71003.

22 (d) One voting classified employee, who shall be appointed by
23 the Governor for a two-year term. The Governor shall appoint the
24 classified employee member from a list of at least three eligible
25 persons furnished by the exclusive representatives of classified
26 employees of the California Community Colleges.

27 *SEC. 2. It is the intent of the Legislature that there be 16 voting*
28 *members on the Board of Governors of the California Community*
29 *Colleges until the first student member appointed to a position*
30 *established by this act serves one year in office.*